


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Please rewrite claims 7 and 31, and add new claims 32 and 33 as follows:

Claim 1 (Withdrawn): A dispenser comprising a plurality of arranged micropipettes each including a pouring port for pouring a sample solution from the outside, a cavity for pouring and charging said sample solution thereinto, and a discharge port for discharging said sample solution, formed on at least one or more substrates, said micropipette further including a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one wall surface of said substrate which forms said cavity so that said sample solution is movable in said cavity, and said sample solution being discharged from said discharge port of each of said micropipettes, wherein:

 a pin, which protrudes upwardly, is provided at said pouring port of each of said micropipettes.

Claim 2 (Withdrawn): The dispenser according to claim 1, wherein said pin is provided at a position included in said pouring port as viewed in plan view.

Claim 3 (Withdrawn): The dispenser according to claim 1, wherein said pin is provided at a circumferential edge of said pouring port.

Claim 4 (Withdrawn): The dispenser according to claim 1, wherein said pin is used in order to bore a hole through a solution storage section of a cartridge positioned over said pouring port so that said solution stored in said solution storage section is introduced into said pouring port.

Claim 5 (Withdrawn): The dispenser according to claim 1, wherein said pin is used in order to bore a hole through a film member coated to close a solution storage section of a cartridge positioned over said pouring port so that said solution stored in said solution storage section is introduced into said pouring port.

Claim 6 (Withdrawn): The dispenser according to claim 1, wherein said pouring port is subjected to a hydrophilic treatment.

3/ Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A dispenser comprising a plurality of arranged micropipettes each including a pouring port for pouring a sample solution from the outside, a cavity in communication with said pouring port for pouring and charging said sample solution therinto, and a discharge port in communication with said cavity for discharging said sample solution, each of said micropipettes formed from at least one substrate, and including a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one wall surface of said at least one substrate which forms said cavity so that said sample solution is movable in said cavity, and said sample solution being discharged from said discharge port of each of said micropipettes, wherein:

a holding section for holding a pipette for pouring said solution into said pouring port is provided at a circumferential edge of said pouring port of each of said micropipettes, each said holding section being separately attached on an outer portion of said substrate at or proximate a circumferential edge of a respective one of said pouring ports.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The dispenser according to claim 31, wherein at least the inner wall of said tube for receiving said pipette is subjected to a hydrophilic treatment.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The dispenser according to claim 31, further comprising a scale for measuring an amount of liquid poured into said tube formed at least on a part of said tube for receiving said pipette.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The dispenser according to claim 31, further comprising a plurality of projections formed on a part of the inner wall of said tube for receiving said pipette, said projections being spaced apart and positioned on said inner wall substantially the same axial distance from said pouring port.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The dispenser according to claim 31, further comprising a filter attached to portions of said at least one substrate and said holding section between said pouring port and said tube for receiving said pipette, said filter having a large number of

openings defining an opening area on the surface of the filter, and said opening area having a surface area that is not larger than an opening area of said discharge port.

Claim 12 (Original): The dispenser according to claim 7, wherein said pouring port is subjected to a hydrophilic treatment.

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Claim 13 (Withdrawn): A dispenser comprising a plurality of arranged micropipettes each including a pouring port for pouring a sample solution from the outside, a cavity for pouring and charging said sample solution thereinto, and a discharge port for discharging said sample solution, formed on at least one or more substrates, said micropipette further including a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one wall surface of said substrate which forms said cavity so that said sample solution is movable in said cavity, and said sample solution being discharged from said discharge port of each of said micropipettes, wherein:

said dispenser further comprises a pitch-varying mechanism for varying an arrangement pitch of each of said micropipettes.

Claim 14 (Withdrawn): The dispenser according to claim 13, wherein said pouring port is subjected to a hydrophilic treatment.

Claims 15-30 (Cancelled).

Claim 31 (Currently Amended): A dispenser comprising a plurality of arranged micropipettes each including a pouring port into which a sample solution from the outside is provided, a cavity in communication with said pouring port, into which said sample solution is supplied, and a discharge port in communication with said cavity from which said sample solution is discharged, each of said micropipettes are formed from at least one substrate, and include a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one wall surface of said at least one substrate which forms said cavity so that said sample solution is movable in said cavity, wherein:

a holding section for holding a pipette, from which said solution is supplied into said pouring port, is provided at a circumferential edge of said pouring port of each of said

micropipettes, and includes a tube for receiving said pipette, each said holding section being separately attached on an outer portion of said substrate at or proximate a circumferential edge of a respective one of said pouring ports.

Claim 32 (New): A dispenser comprising a plurality of arranged micropipettes each including a pouring port for pouring a sample solution from the outside, a cavity in communication with said pouring port for pouring and charging said sample solution therinto, and a discharge port in communication with said cavity for discharging said sample solution, each of said micropipettes formed from at least one substrate, and including a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one wall surface of said at least one substrate which forms said cavity so that said sample solution is movable in said cavity, and said sample solution being discharged from said discharge port of each of said micropipettes, wherein:

15 a holding section for holding a pipette for pouring said solution into said pouring port is provided at a circumferential edge of said pouring port of each of said micropipettes, a portion of said holding section being elastic and said holding section being attached on an outer portion of said substrate at or proximate a circumferential edge of said pouring port.

Claim 33 (New): A dispenser comprising a plurality of arranged micropipettes each including a pouring port into which a sample solution from the outside is provided, a cavity in communication with said pouring port, into which said sample solution is supplied, and a discharge port in communication with said cavity from which said sample solution is discharged, each of said micropipettes are formed from at least one substrate, and include a piezoelectric/electrostrictive element disposed on at least one wall surface of said at least one substrate which forms said cavity so that said sample solution is movable in said cavity, wherein:

a holding section for holding a pipette, from which said solution is supplied into said pouring port, is provided at a circumferential edge of said pouring port of each of said micropipettes, and includes a tube for receiving said pipette, a portion of said holding section being elastic and said holding section being attached on an outer portion of said substrate at or proximate a circumferential edge of said pouring port.
